



Pineapple Quilt Block

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Please read all instructions before starting

- Raw Block Size = $10\frac{1}{2}$ " Square
- Use scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams
- Use a "generous 1-inch" to trim each row
- Press all seams outward from the center.
- Will need to use a clear square ruler with 45-degree angle marks
- Using small cutting mat will make trimming easier because you can rotate the mat instead of the quilt block

Fabric

Center Square - $3\frac{3}{8}$ "

White Strips - $68"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$

Color Strips - $78"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$

Color Square - $6\frac{1}{2}"$

Color

Black

Pure White (no creams because the whites connect)

Bright Colorful Print

Bright Colorful Print (same as Color Strips)

Cutting

White Strips - From the white fabric cut, the following:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Dimensions</u>
4	$3"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$
4	$4"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$
4	$4\frac{1}{2}"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$
4	$5\frac{1}{2}"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$



Colorful Print Strips - From the **colorful print** fabric, cut the following:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Dimensions</u>
4	$4"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$
4	$4\frac{1}{2}"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$
4	$5"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$
4	$6"$ x $1\frac{3}{8}"$
1	$6\frac{1}{2}"$ Square

Center Square - From the black fabric, cut one $3\frac{1}{4}"$ square.

Large Square - the $6\frac{1}{2}"$ square is cut into 4 triangles to create the corners of the pineapple block.

Cut the $6\frac{1}{2}"$ square from the bottom right corner to the top left corner and then cut from the bottom left corner to the top right corner ("X" cut) creating 4 triangles.





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Construction

We build this block from the center square outward by adding alternating rows of the White Strips and the Color Strips. The key to getting the "pineapple" shape is to cut the square shape into an octagon shape after the first row is added. Because this block has so many seams, the thread and the fabric fold widths become an issue. That is why we are using the **scant $\frac{1}{4}$ "** and the **generous 1-inch trim method**.

Row 1 - Color Strips

Use the Center Block and the set of 4" x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " Color Strips. Stitch one strip to each side of the Center Block.

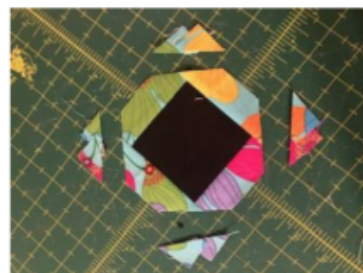
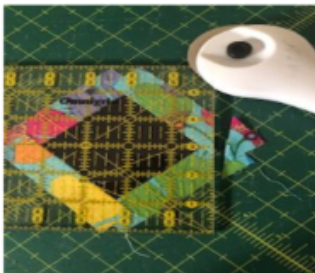


Trim each side of Row 1 to a **generous 1-inch by placing the 1" clear ruler line slightly right of the seam - by about a thread width**. Press.

Here is where we will cut the block to create an octagon shape from the square.

To do this : Align your block - squared with the 45-degree angle on your clear square ruler. Place the cutting edge $\frac{1}{4}$ " above the corner of the Center Block.

Align the clear square cutting ruler so that one straight line passes through the opposite corners. **Cut, making sure your cut is $\frac{1}{4}$ " above the corner of the center square.**

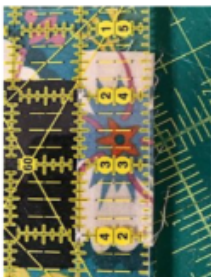


Row 1 is the only time you will use this cutting instruction.



Row 2 - White Strips

Use the set of 3" x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " White Strips. Stitch one White Strip to each of the 4 long sides of the octagon.



Use the **generous 1-inch trim method** to cut excess fabric by **aligning the clear ruler along the top edge of the Color Strip that you added in Row 1**. This should be 1" plus a thread's width from





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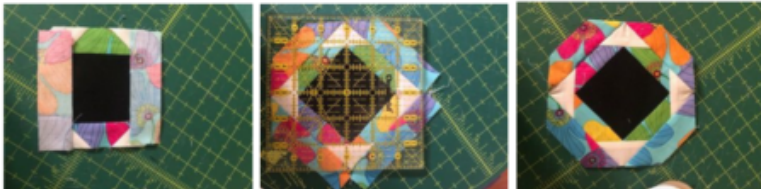
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the Center Square (the ruler line will be slightly right of the seam) . Trim all 4 White Strips. Press.

Row 3 - Color Strips

Use the set of $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " Color Strips.

Stitch one Color Strip to each of the 4 long sides of the octagon. Use the **generous 1-inch trim method** to cut excess fabric by **aligning the clear ruler along the top edge of the Color Strip that you added in Row 2**. This should be 1" plus a thread's width from the Center Square (the ruler line will be slightly right of the seam). Trim all 4 strips. Press.



Row 4 - White Strips - Use the set of 4" x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " White Strips. Repeat the stitching process described in Row 2. When trimming, use the generous 1-inch trim method.

Row 5 - Color Strips - Use the set of 5" x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " Color Strips. Repeat process described in Row 3. When trimming, use the generous 1-inch trim method.

Row 6 - White Strips - Use the set of $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " White Strips. Repeat the stitching process described in Row 2. When trimming, use the generous 1-inch trim method.

Row 7 - Color Strips - Use the set of 6" x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " Color Strips. Repeat process described in Row 3. When trimming, use the generous 1-inch trim method.

Row 8 - White Strips - Use the set of $5\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{3}{8}$ " White Strips. Repeat the stitching process described in Row 2. When trimming, use the generous 1-inch trim method.

Corners



Use the Color Triangles created by cutting the $6\frac{1}{2}$ " **Color Square** to make the corners of the pineapple block. Stitch a triangle to each angled edge of the block. This will turn the octagon shape back into a square. Press.

Square pineapple block to a $10\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

